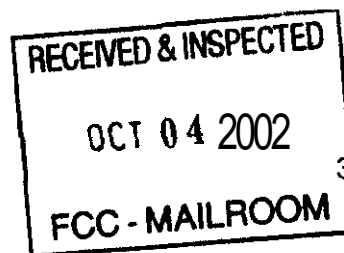


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Re.: CC Docket No. 96-45 Annual USAC Certification

This is to certify that Pine Belt Cellular, Inc., who was granted the status of an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier by the Federal Communications Commission on May 24, 2002. will use its federal universal service high cost and low income support funds only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is provided for all study areas under the common control of the company, and which are listed below.

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